

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-3 (CANCELED)

4. (NEW) An image correction apparatus comprising:

a reflective scanner for reading a print image which has an identifying mark provided at a position of a defect on a scanned image of the print image;
and

an image correction section for correcting image data of said scanned image by utilizing the position of said identifying mark on the scanned image read by the reflective scanner.

5. (NEW) The image correction apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the image correction section corrects image data of the scanned image data by comparing the image data of the scanned image with fine scan image data of the print image.

6. (NEW) The image correction apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising:

an image display unit for displaying an image of said image data in an enlarged state corresponding to the position of said identifying mark on said scanned image.

7. (NEW) The image correction apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said image correction section detects the position of said identifying mark by comparing the image data of said print image with the image data of said scanned image.

8. (NEW) A digital photoprinter comprising:
a scanner for photoelectrically reading a print image on a film; and
an image recording unit, said image recording unit further including
an image processing apparatus for performing image processing on image data read by the scanner;

an image correction apparatus for correcting a defect in the image data read by the scanner;

wherein said image correction apparatus further includes
a reflective scanner for reading a print image which has an identifying mark provided at a position of a defect on a scanned image of the print image; and

an image correction section for correcting image data of said scanned image by utilizing the position of said identifying mark on the scanned image read by the reflective scanner; and

a printer for outputting a print that has been processed and corrected in the digital photoprinter.

9. (NEW) The digital photoprinter according to claim 8, wherein the image correction section corrects image data of the scanned image data by comparing the image data of the scanned image with fine scan image data of the print image.

10. (NEW) The digital photoprinter according to claim 8, further comprising:

an image display unit for displaying an image of said image data in an enlarged state corresponding to the position of said identifying mark on said scanned image.

11. (NEW) The digital photoprinter according to claim 8, wherein said image correction section detects the position of said identifying mark by

comparing the image data of said print image with the image data of said scanned image.

12. (NEW) The image correction apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the identifying mark is manually provided by an operator.

13. (NEW) The digital photocopier according to claim 8, wherein the identifying mark is manually provided by an operator.